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Toshiaki Kawakami

Filed: July 9, 2001

Application No.: 09/901,359

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For: SEAT SUPPORTING TABLE FOR A

BARBER OR BEAUTYCHAIR AND HAIR WASHER WITH THE SEAT SUPPORTING

TABLE

Confirmation No.: 5346

Art Unit: 3751

Examiner: Charles R. Eloshway

PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.322

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Sir:

Please see remarks which begin on page 2.

REMARKS

Receipt of the above-identified patent is hereby acknowledged. The present patent has been subject to an application for re-issue (re-issue application no. 10/922,266). However, the noted re-issue application has not been granted. Until a re-issue application is granted, the original patent shall remain in effect. See MPEP §1416, 37 CFR § 1.178

In checking the original patent against our file, however, (1) one minor error was noted. One cited reference was omitted. This reference was cited in a conforming Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) filed May 24, 2002 prior to payment of the Issue Fee paid June 11, 2002.

The present Request for Certificate of Correction is a re-file of the Certificate of Correction Request dated October 11, 2002 ("the first Request"). The first Request was denied for the reason that the May 24, 2002 IDS allegedly lacked a required communication by the applicant under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) and did not include a required fee.

On further review of the prosecution history, the applicant has noted that the IDS filed May 24, 2002 fully complied with applicable provisions of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (MPEP) in effect at the time the May 24, 2002 IDS was filed, and by mistake of the Office, was not indicated to be considered by the Office.

Under the *MPEP 8th*, *Revision 1*, in effect at the time of filing of the May 24, 2002 IDS, a copy of a dated communication from a foreign patent office could be submitted in lieu of the referenced required communication by the applicant under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e):

If an IDS includes a copy of a dated communication from a foreign patent office which clearly shows that the statement is being submitted within 3 months of the date of the communication, the copy will be accepted as the required communication. It will be assumed, in the absence of evidence to the contrary, that the communication was for a counterpart foreign application.

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In the alternative, a statement can be made if no item of information contained in the IDS was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the person signing the statement after making reasonable inquiry, neither was it known to any individual having a duty to disclose more than 3 months prior to the filing of the statement. (*Emphasis added*) MPEP 609, 8th, Rev. 1, August 2001

Regarding the requirement for a dated communication from a foreign patent office, a communication from a foreign patent office clearly dated März (March) 26, 2002 and received April 12, 2002 was appended to the DE 35 22 110 A1 reference with the May 24, 2002 IDS filing. The Office's attention is directed to the entry identified by "06-11-2002 FOR Foreign Reference" in the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) database (the PAIR Headings are attached as Exhibit A and a printout of the noted submission as it is presented in the official file wrapper is attached as Exhibit B).

Regarding the requirement for a fee, the May 24, 2002 IDS included the statement: "The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 50-0289."

Further to the above, while applicants were (erroneously) informed of an alleged deficiency in the May 24, 2002 IDS after issuance, applicant received no notice respecting any deficiency of the May 24, 2002 IDS during the pendency of the application. Under MPEP §609, in effect at the time of the May 24, 2002 IDS, an Examiner's duty with respect to IDSs was as follows:

If an item of information in an IDS fails to comply with all the requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 37 CFR 1.98, that item of information in the IDS will not be considered *and a line should be drawn through the citation to show that it has not been considered.* However, other items of information that do comply with all the requirements of 37 CFR 1.97 and 37 CFR 1.98 will be considered by the examiner. (*Emphasis added*) MPEP 8th, Rev. 1, August 2001

Applicant did not receive any returned paper having a line drawn through the DE 35 22 110 A1 citation between the time the May 24, 2002 IDS was filed, and the

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time, almost three full months thereafter, that the patent issued (the patent issued on August 20, 2002). The lack of notice by the Office during the pendency of the application indicated that the Office correctly regarded the May 24, 2002 IDS to be in compliance with applicable provisions of the MPEP in effect at the time the May 24, 2002 IDS was filed.

In view of the above, the May 24, 2002 IDS complied with applicable provisions of the MPEP in effect at the time of the filing of the May 24, 2002 IDS.

It is, therefore, requested that a Certificate of Correction be issued as per the attached form PTO/SB/44 submitted herewith in duplicate. By grant of the present Request the Office will confirm that the DE 35 22 110 A1 reference submitted with the May 24, 2002 IDS has been considered.

If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-0289, under Order No. 967_012 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: October 11, 2007

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3 Weschsessel für Friedure

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Der Waschsessel dient zum Waschen der Kopfhaure. Durch Verschieben der Sterläche meh vern und unten wird der Abstand zwischen Weschbecken und Sterläche vergrä-Bart. Dadurch ist man in der Lage. Menschen verschiedener Größe in diesem Bassel zu weschen.

Patentansprüche

1) Sitzfächenträger dedurch gehennseichnet, daß die hinteren Führungsbahnen für die Sitzrollen schräg nach unten und die vorderen Führungsbahnen für die Sitzrollen schräg nach oben, in Richtung nach vorn geneigt sind.

2) Nach Anspruch 1.) dadurch gekennzeichnet, daß die vor dere Fährungsbahn wangerecht ist.

3.) Nach Anspruch 1.) und 2.) daß der Sindlächen- 10 träger 3 Führungsbahnen hat (3 Punkt-Auflage).
4.) Nach Anspruch 1.), 2.) und 3.), daß der Sindlächenträger aus Stahlrohr angefertigt ist.

5) Nach Anspruch 1, 2, 3) und 4, daß der Sizzilechenträger aus Aluminium angeserügt ist.

6.) Nach Anspruch 1.), 2), 3), 4) and 5), daß der Sitzfächenträger aus U-Profil angefertigt ist.

Beschreibung

Allgemeines

Durch die unterschiedliche Größe der Mensehen muß die Höhe zwischen Sitzsäche und Waschbecken verstellbar sein. Der Höhenunterschied wird durch kippen, verschieben oder durch eine Höhenverstellung des Waschbeckens erreicht. Denselben Zweck erreicht man durch verschieben der Sitzsäche in horizontaler oder irreisbogenförmiger Lage, oder gleichzeitige Verschiebung nach vorne und unten. Eine weitere Möglichkeit zu ist die Höhenverstellung der Sitzsäche Durch das Verschieben wird der Oberkörper aus der vertikalen in eine Schräginge gehracht. Dadurch vergrüßert zich der Abstand zwischen Sitzsäche und Waschbecken.

Nachtaile

Der Nachteil der Höhenverstellung sind bewegliche Schläuche und eine größers Arbeitsgenaufgleit (Führung) Bei kippbaren Waschbecken kann man in der unteren Stellung die Haare nicht gemigend bearbeiten. Waschsessel mit verschiebbarer Sterfläche und 4 Gleichpunkten haben alle eine giehende Führungsbahn. Durch die Befestigung des Führungsbahnträgers auf dem Fußboden, der nie eben ist, entstehen Spannungen. Der Führungsbahnträger muß deshalb stabil sein, um die Spannungen aufzufangen. Durch verschieben der Sierfläche

margen amzurangen. Durch verschieben der Sitzfläche nach vorn und schräg unten wird die Beinstellung bei größeren Menschau ungünstig verändert. Der Schankei liegt nicht mehr auf der Sitzfläche auf.

Lözung der Aufgabe und Beschreibung des Waschsensels

Lösme

Durch eine 3-Punkt und rollenda Führung kann man eine leichne Konstruktion verwenden. Auch bei mebenem Fußboden kippt die Sitziäche nicht. Die Führungsbahnen für die Sitziäche sind kinten usch unten und vom wangrecht oder nach oben geneigt. Beim Verschieben der Sitziäche neigt die hintere Kante usch unten und die vordere Kante nach oben. Durch diese Bewegung wird die Schenkelhöhe größer und ein angenebmeres Sitzen erreicht. Die verschiedenen Winkelstellungen der Führungsbahnen — hinnen nach mten und vorm wangracht, oder nach oben — kompensierunden Druck des Körpergewichtes aus, sodaß nur eine schwache Zugfeder zum Gewichtsausgleich bemütigt wird.

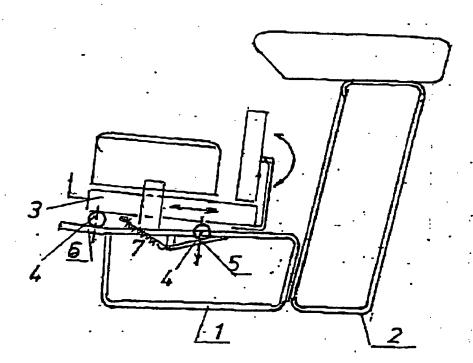
Beschreibung:

Der Waschussel besteht aus Sitzfällehenträger (1)
und Waschheckenträger(2). Beide sind mit Schrauben
verbonden. Auf dem Sitzfälchenträger bewegt sich verze schlebbar eine Sitzfälche(3), an der Rollen(4) befestigt
sind. Diese Rollen führen beim Vorwärtsschleben auf
der Führungsstange(5); die hintere Sitzfälche nach unten
und auf dem Führungsutiger(6) die verdere Sitzfälche
nach ohen oder wasgerecht. Eine Zugleder(7) zieht die
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Seat support table known, on which a hairdresser chair (3) is detachable, fixed, whereby the seat support table is attached to a moving part (4), which can be moved in the direction of the back rest of the hairdresser chair (3) to the front and back, and the moving part (4) has a fixation part for fixation of the hair dresser chair (3). (Compare description and figure.)

Therefore all the features of the claim 1 are known. Claim number 1 is therefore not new.

From DE 3522 110, there is already a hair washing station known, with a bowl, which has a neck rest part for the resting of the neck of a person which has to be washed, a standing part (2) for the support of the bowl and a support part (1) for the seat support table, thereby one end is affixed to the support part (2) and the other end is fixed to the seat support table, on which the hairdresser chair (3) is detachable fixed, thereby the seat support table being ixed to a moving part (4), whereby the moving part (4) can slide in the direction of the back est on the hairdresser chair (3) to the front and to the back, and the moving part (4) having a fixation part for the fixation of the hairdresser chair. (Compare figure).

herefore, all the features of the additional claim 4 are already known. Claim number 4 is therefore not new. Therefore, claim 4 cannot be granted.

The other claims cannot be granted because of formal causes, as the independent claims 1 and 2, on which the dependent claims 2, 3, 5 and 6 are relied to, are not grantable.

For the claims 2,3,5 and 6, the Offenlegungsschrift DE 3522 110 is relevant. The moving part which can be moved along the guiding rails (5) and (6), for the guidance of the sledge of the moving part, and the device for the controlling of the moving force (7), for the control of the movement of the moving part, is not new according to the figure of DE 3522 110. The fit ation part, the fixation of the hairdresser chair (3) which is characterized by a protrusion (1), which engages an engagement part on the back part of the hairdresser chair (3), is not not we according to the figure of the Offenlegungsschrift 3522 110. It is also not new that the moving part can be moved in a wanted position along the guiding rails (5) and (6) for the guidance of the sledge of the moving part and the existence of a device for the controlling of

a moving part is also not new. According to the figures of DE 3522 110, the fixation part with the protrusion part (1), which can be engaged by the engaging part is also not new.

Therefore the patent cannot be granted.

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Aus der Entgegenhaltung 1 ist bereits ein Sitzauflagetisch bekannt, an dem ein Frisör- oder Kosmetikstuhl 3 lösbar befestig bar ist, wöbei der Sitzauflagetisch mit einem Verschiebeteil 4 versehen ist, welches in Richtung einer Sitzrückfläche des zu befestigenden Frisör- oder Kosmetikstuhles 3 nach vome und hinten gleitet, und der Verschlebeteil 4 mit einem Befestigungsabschnitt zur Befestigung des Frisör- oder Kosmetikstuhles 3 versehen ist (vgl. Beschreibung und Figur).

Hiemach waren sämtliche Merkmale des geltenden Anspruchs 1 bekannt. Der Anspruch 1 lst daher mangels Neuheit seines Gegenstandes nicht gewährbar.

Aus der Entgegenhaltung 1 ist auch bereits eine Haarwaschstation bekannt, mit einem Kugelteil, das mit einem Nackenaufnahmeabschnitt zur Aufnahme eines Nackenabschnittes einer zu waschenden Person versehen ist, einen Beinabschnitt 2 zum Abstützen des Kugelabschnittes und einen Stützamn 1 für den Sitzauflagetisch, dessen eines Ende am Beinabschnitt 2 befestigt ist und dessen anderes Ende mit einem Sitzauflagetisch versehen ist, an dem ein Erlsör- oder Kosmetikstuni 3 lösbar anbringbar ist, wobei der Sitzauflagetisch mit einem Verschiebeteil 4 versehen ist, welches in Richtung einer Rückenlehne des anzubringenden Erisör- oder Kosmetikstuhles 3 nach vorne oder hinten gleitet und der Verschiebeteil 4 mit einem Befestigungsabschnitt zur Befestigung des Erisör- oder Kosmetikstuhles versehen ist (vgl. Fig.).

Hiemach waren auch sämtliche Merkmale des nebengeordneten Anspruchs 4 bekannt. Der Anspruch 4 ist daher ebenfalls mangels Neuheit seines Gegenstandes nicht gewährbar.

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Die Unteransprüche können schon aus formalen Gründen nicht verbleiben, da die Ansprüche, auf die sie rückbezogen sind, nicht gewährbar sind.

Zu den Ansprüchen 2und 3 sowie 5 und 6 wird auf die Entgegenhaltung 1 verwiesen, da diese bereits zeigt:

- a) dass das Verschiebeteil in eine gewünschte Position entlang einer Führungsschiene5,6 zur Führung eines Schlittens des Verschlebeteils verschoben wird und eine Verschiebekraftsteuereinrichtung 7 zur Steuerung der zum Verschieben des Verschiebeteils notwendigen Verschiebekraft vorgesehen ist (vgl. Fig.),
- b) dass der Befestigungsabschnitt zur Befestigung des Frisör- oder Kosmetikstuhls 3 als ein Vorsprung 1 ausgestaltet ist, der mit einem Eingriffsabschnitt an einer rückwärtigen Fläche des Frisör- oder Kosmetikstuhles 3 in Eingriff gelangt (vgl. Fig.),
- c) dass der Verschiebetell in eine gewünschte Position entlang einer Führungsschiene 5,6 zur Führung eines Schlittens des Verschiebeteils verschoben wird und eine Verschiebekraftsteuereinrichtung 7 zur Steuerung der zum Verschieben des Verschiebeteils benötigten Verschiebekraft umfasst (vgl. Fig.), und
- d) dass der Befestigungsabschnitt zur Befestigung des Frisör- oder Kosmetikstuhls 3 als ein Vorsprung 1 ausgestaltet ist, der mit einem an einer rückwärtigen Flache des Frisör- oder Kosmetikstuhls 3 vorgesehenen Eingriffsabschnitt in Eingriff gelangt (vgl. Fig.).

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Bei der gegebenen Sachlage kann ein Patent nicht erteilt werden. Auf die am Anfang dieses Bescheides vorgedruckte Auflage wird besonders hingewiesen.

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Claims

- 1.) A seating surface support, characterized in that the rear guideways for the seat rollers are inclined at an oblique angle downwards and the front guideways for the seat rollers are inclined at an oblique angle upwards in a forward direction.
- 2.) A seating surface support according to claim 1, characterized in that the front guideway is horizontal.
- 3.) A seating surface support according to claims 1 and 2, characterized in that the seating surface support has three guideways (three-point support).
- 4). A seating surface support according to claims 1, 2 and 3, characterized in that the seating surface support is made of steel tubes.
- 5.) A seating surface support according to claims 1, 2, 3 and 4, characterized in that the seating surface support is made of aluminium.
- 6.) A seating surface support according to claims 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, characterized in that the seating surface support consists of a U-profile.

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Description

General Aspects

Due to the fact that human beings are not equally tall, the height between the seating surface and the washbasin must be adjustable. The difference in height is obtained by tilting, displacing or vertically adjusting the washbasin. The same aim is achieved by displacing the seating surface in a horizontal or circular-arc position or by displacing it simultaneously forwards and downwards. Another possibility is a vertical adjustment of the seating surface. By means of the displacement, the upper part of the body is moved from a vertical to an inclined position. This has the effect that the distance between the seating surface and the washbasin becomes larger.

Drawbacks

Drawbacks of vertical adjustment are movable hoses and the necessity of a higher operating accuracy (guidance). In the case of tiltable washbasins, the hair cannot be treated sufficiently at the lower position. Hairwash seats having a displaceable seating surface and 4 sliding points all have a sliding guideway. Due to the fact that the guideway support is fixed to the floor, which is never even, stresses are generated. The guideway support must therefore be stable so as to absorb the stresses. When the seating surface is displaced to the front and at an oblique angle downwards, the position of the legs of tall persons changes in a disadvantageous manner. The thigh no longer rests on the seating surface.

Solution of the task and description of the hairwash seat

Solution:

Due to the use of a three-point and roller-type guidance, a light-weight construction can be employed. The seating surface will not tilt – not even in the case of uneven floors. The guideways for the seating surface are inclined downwards at the rear, and at the front they are horizontal or inclined upwards. When the seating surface is being displaced, the rear

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edge moves downwards and the front edge upwards. Due to this movement, the thigh height is increased and the person on the seat will sit more comfortably. The various angular positions of the guideways — downwards at the rear and horizontal or upwards at the front — compensate the pressure caused by the body weight so that only a weak helical tension spring will be required for weight compensation.

Description:

The hairwash seat comprises a seating surface support (1) and a washbasin support (2). The two components are connected by means of screws. A seating surface (3), which has rollers (4) secured thereto, moves displaceably on the seating surface support. When advanced on the guide bar (5), these rollers move the rear seating surface downwards, and, when advanced on the guide support (6), they move the front seating surface upwards or in a horizontal direction. A helical tension spring (7) draws the seating surface back to its starting position.

Abstract

Hairwash seat for hairdressers

The hairwash seat serve to wash a person's hair. By displacing the seating surface forwards and downwards, the distance between the washbasin and the seating surface will be enlarged. Hence, this seat can be used for washing the hair of persons of different heights.

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